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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION :
AND LAW DEBENTURE TRUST COMPANY OF :
NEW YORK, :
: Plaintiff, :
v. : C.A. No. 04-1494 JJF
: :
NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION, :
: Defendant. :
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MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION :
: Plaintiff, :
v. : C.A. No. 04-1256 JJF
: :
PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER LLP, :
: Defendant. :
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MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION :
: Plaintiff, :
v. : C.A. No. 05-0499 JJF
: :
MIKE J. HANSON & ERNIE J. KINDT, :
: Defendants. :
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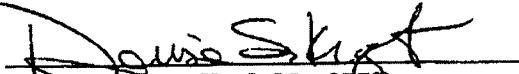
**MIKE J. HANSON & ERNIE J. KINDT'S JOINDER
TO DEFENDANT NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION'S
MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Mike J. Hanson & Ernie J. Kindt ("Hanson & Kindt") hereby joins (the "Joinder") in Defendant Northwestern Corporation's Motion for a Protective Order and Memorandum of Law in Support of its Motion for a Protective Order dated February 2, 2006 (D.I. 55, 56 in C.A. No.

04-1494) (together, the "Motion"), and requests the relief sought therein, for substantially the same reasons set forth in the Motion.¹ Hanson & Kindt expressly reserve all rights to participate in additional briefing or argument on this matter.

Dated: February 13, 2006
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Denise Seastone Kraft, certify that on this 13th day of February, 2006, I caused true and correct copies of **Mike J. Hanson & Ernie J. Kindt's Joinder To Defendant Northwestern Corporation's Motion For a Protective Order** to be served on the parties listed below in the manner indicated.

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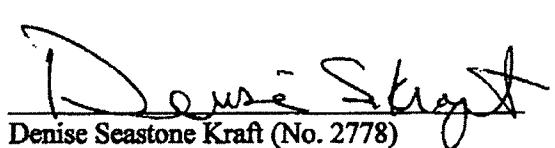
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